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Election/Restriction

Pursuant to Examiner's restriction requirement, Applicants provisionally elect **Group I: Claims 1-9, with traverse**. There is no change to inventorship.